(c) what would be the share of public sector and private sector undertakings separately under the said plan;

(d) by when the above plan is likely to be implemented; and

(e) to what extent the cost of power generation is likely to be increased as a result of this disinvestment?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) and (b) In order to enable the Government to implement an accelerated power development programme, the Government is considering various options for mobilising resources to supplement the funds likely to be provided in the plan and to leverage the strengths of different central public sector undertakings under the Ministry of Power. M/s ICICI and SBI companies were appointed as consultants to suggest various options of raising resources for the central PSUs to invest in accelerated power development programme. A final decision on the modality of leveraging the financial strength of different CPSUs covering various aspects like disinvestment, privatisation will be taken in consultation with Planning commission and concerned Ministries.

(c) to (e) In view of above, do not arise at this stage.

World Bank Mission for Restructuring Sebs.

2869. SHRI LAJPAT RAI: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the world Bank has deputed any mission to evaluate the ongoing reforms and restructuring of the various State Electricity Boards (SEBs);

(b) whether the grants of loans and other assistance to SEBs by the World Bank is inter-linked with this evaluation;

(c) if so, the terms of reference of the World Bank mission; and

(d) the present status of every State Electricity Board, particularly of Punjab State Electricity Board?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) to (c) The World Bank deputes missions at regular intervals, to the states taking loans from them to evaluate progress. The World Bank is presently assisting Orissa, Haryana and Andhra Pradesh in undertaing power sector reforms through loans which involve

fulfillment of mutually agreed conditions. Orissa has been sanctioned a loan amount of US $ 350 million in 1996, for the period of 1996-97 to 2002-2003. Haryana has been approved an Adaptable Programme Loan (APL) of US $ 600 mission in 1998 for 8-10 years, out of which the first APL of US $ 60 million has been operational since 16-1-1998. Andhra Pradesh has been sanctioned a total loan amount of US $ 790 million, out of which the first APL of US $ 210 million has been operational. In March this year Government of Uttar Pradesh has concluded negotiations with the World Bank for a loan of US $ 150 million for their power sector reforms.

(d) The present status of reforms in various states including Punjab is enclosed at Statement.

STATEMENT

Status of Reforms in States :

Orissa is the first state to have undertaken reforms in power sector by enacting the State Reforms Act, unbundling State Electricity Board and constituting State Electricity Regulatory Commission in 1996. The reform process in Orissa has further progressed with privatisation of distribution in the state. The four subsidiary companies of GRIDCO have been disinvested in favour of the private companies.

Besides Orissa, the States of Haryana, Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka and Uttar Pradesh have passed their Reform Acts and unbundled their Electricity Boards. Rajasthan has passed its Reforms Act but it is yet to be implemented. Delhi and Madhya Pradesh have drafted their State Electricity Reform Bills.

So far fourteen States namely Orissa, Andhra Pradesh, Haryana, Karnataka, UP, Arunachal Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Delhi, Madhya Pradesh, Punjab, Maharashtra, Rajasthan, Gujarat and West Bengal have notified constitution of State Electricity Regulatory Commissions.

As regards the status of reforms in Punjab, the State Government is committed to reform its power sector with assistance of PFC/ADB. PFC/ADB are providing technical and financial assistance for various studies. Reforms related studies namely, tariff rationalisation, demand side management, profit centres approach to PSEB operations have been initiated. The Govt. of Punjab has notified the constitution of SERC on 31-3-99 but the Commission has not yet become functional.